

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 988

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Joe L. Rodgers of Franklin on his exemplary service as the 66th President of the Tennessee Road Builders Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as professional leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Joe L. Rodgers of Franklin, who recently completed his outstanding tenure as the 66th President of the Tennessee Road Builders Association (TRBA); and

WHEREAS, born in Williamson County, Mr. Rodgers is a graduate of Battle Ground Academy and the University of Tennessee at Knoxville from which he holds a degree in civil engineering; and

WHEREAS, Joe L. Rodgers began his illustrious career in the construction industry with the engineering firm of Consoer Townsend & Associates; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Mr. Rodgers commenced his fourteen years of consummate professionalism with Alman Construction Company, in which position he continued to develop professionally; and

WHEREAS, he later interrupted his career at Alman for a few years to work with his father, Ed Rodgers, who was nearing retirement at Dixie Concrete Pipe Company; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, he helped found Civil Constructors, and he serves astutely as the company's president to this day; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodgers truly bleeds asphalt as he hails from a family of road builders and is continuing its legacy through his hard work and dedication to the industry; and

WHEREAS, his grandfather, Ed Rodgers, Sr., served as a highway commissioner in Alabama and helped establish the Alabama Road Builders Association in 1947; his father, Ed, Jr., founded Dixie Concrete Pipe Company in the early 1950s and also served as the road superintendent of Madison County; and

WHEREAS, a man with an astute business mind, Mr. Rodgers has previously served the TRBA as First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, a pillar of his community, he has also given of his time and many talents as a board member and president of Associated General Contractors, Middle Tennessee Branch and is currently a member of the Department of Commerce and Insurance's Blasting Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, his many professional and personal accomplishments aside, Mr. Rodgers is thankful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Susan Rodgers, his children, Mary Jane Rodgers, Allen Rodgers, and Ashley Wood and her husband, Stephen, and his grandson, Jacob; and

WHEREAS, in his free time, he enjoys bass fishing, bird hunting, spending time on his farm, and cheering on the Nashville Predators; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Joe L. Rodgers for his dedication to the road building industry and for making this State's exemplary highway system even better; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Joe L. Rodgers on his exemplary tenure as the 66th President of the Tennessee Road Builders Association, honor and commend him for his meritorious service to the transportation needs of his fellow Tennesseans, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.